

February 4, 2004  
143 Piping Rock Road ✓  
Doe Valley Subdivision  
Brandenburg, KY 40108

Mr. Thomas Dorman  
Kentucky Public Service Commission  
P. O. Box 615, 211 Sower Blvd.  
Frankfort, KY 40602-0615

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Dear Mr. Dorman:

I am a property owner in Doe Valley subdivision, a community located near Brandenburg, Kentucky. I am writing to protest the recent actions taken against members of the Board of Directors of Doe Valley Utilities, Inc. The Doe Valley Property Owners Association's Board of Directors removed four of the five directors of the utility company, leaving in place one director who serves on both the utility company and the property owners' boards. Then, the Doe Valley Property Owners Association Board of Directors voted themselves into the directors' positions of the utility company. No prior guidance, communication of displeasure with performance, or statement of cause for termination was provided. All terminated utility company directors were notified of their terminations, at their homes, by security guard. Some were notified before 7:00 AM and some after 10:00 PM! Subsequently, a public hearing called by the Kentucky Public Service Commission was cancelled.

I strongly protest this action for two reasons:

1. Doe Valley currently buys its water from the owner of Doe Valley Lake, Ms. Shannon Keim. Also, Ms. Keim has exercised her voting rights to place our current Doe Valley Property Owners Association's board in office. As a result of the recent removal and replacement of the utility company directors, Ms. Keim now controls both the selling and buying interests affecting the utility company. This obvious conflict of interest is potentially harmful to our community and does not provide protection of the Doe Valley homeowners' values and interests. Ms. Keim is a resident of Florida, and her interests in our community are strictly financial.
2. After reviewing the statutes concerning public utilities in Kentucky, it appears a replacement of utility board members is subject to approval by the Public Service Commission prior to such action taking place. However, I have not found that a formal request to remove our previous board was placed before the commission.

I request these actions be investigated and, if found improper, reversed. As you know, our community has repeatedly expressed its strong desire to expand our water plant's capacity and to maintain Doe Valley Lake as our drinking water source. I am concerned that the improper actions taken by the Doe Valley Property Owners Association Board of Directors places this community's interests in jeopardy.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

James Anthony